

**Gaza: International Community Must Play Bolder Role - Muhyiddin
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KUALA LUMPUR, Aug 3 (Bernama) -- Malaysia has urged the international community to collectively exert a bolder role in protecting and upholding the rights of the Palestinians and end the bloodshed in Gaza.

Deputy Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin said in this regard, Malaysia strongly called on the Member States of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) to stand united and act decisively to bring an immediate end to Israel's blatant military aggression on the Palestinian people in Gaza.

"This international community also includes the Member States of the Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC) and the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM).

"Malaysia also calls on the United States and its allies to immediately demand Israel to halt its perverse atrocities on the Palestinian people of Gaza," he said in a statement here Sunday.

The Gaza Health Ministry was reported saying that the Gaza death toll had reached 1,732, including children, women and elderly men while 9,152 people were injured during the Israeli forces attack since July 8, on the people of Gaza.

Muhyiddin pointed out that the merciless killing of civilians by the Israeli forces was a clear act of terror and a war crime punishable under international law.

"By all possible means, I urge the perpetrators of this heinous crime be brought to justice," he said.

The deputy prime minister said Malaysia demanded that Israel immediately halt its inhuman act on the defenseless civilian population in Gaza.

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